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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56, Applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

- 1) US 5,888,433
- 2) US 5,197,056
- 3) JP 01052238
- 4) US 2,705,968
- 5) US 4,701,896
- 6) US 4,768,185
- 7) US 4,704,181
- 8) JP 11053769
- 9) JP 03157834
- 10) JP 09245386

11) EP 0793224 A1

The relevance of reference 1) has been discussed in the instant specification on page 2.

References 3 - 11 have been cited in the International Search Report and are submitted to provide the Examiner easy access to said references.

Reference 2 was cited in the German priority document and is in English.

Copies of the listed documents are submitted herewith along with the form PTO-1449.

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

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